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STUDENTS.

Graduates.

Francis T. Crafts,	Bridgewater.
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William H. Osborne,	East Bridgewater.
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Senior Class.

LADIES.

Maria Q. Adams,	Sharon.
Martha W. Brooks,	South Scituate.
Rebecca C. Brooks,	South Scituate.
Mary E. Dowse,	Sherborn.
J. Maria Frye,	South Boston.
Mary E. Hammond,	Mattapoisett.
Sarah A. Henshaw,	West Brookfield.
Harriet E. Hill,	Sherborn.
Mary F. Leach,	Bridgewater.
Ellen Lincoln,	Hingham.
Sarah Newell,	Medfield.
Kate M. Noyes,	East Bridgewater.
Sophia E. Pratt,	North Easton.
H. Augusta Robinson,	North Middleboro'.
Elizabeth Rodman,	Bridgewater.
Rosine M. Smith,	Medfield.
Mary A. Thayer,	West Bridgewater.
Emma Thompson,	Middleboro'.
Ann Maria Whitney,	Sherborn.—19.

GENTLEMEN.

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Edward Southworth,	Hanover.
Thomas H. West,	South Randolph.
Charles H. Wilson,	Derry, N.H.—13.

Middle Class.

LADIES.

Charlotte A. Comstock,	Swanton, Vt.
Sarah J. Haswell,	Acushnet.

Harriet G. Josselyn,	Bridgewater.
Almeda C. Lord,	Biddeford, Me.
Frances A. Mason,	Swanzey.
Sarah J. Taft,	Upton.—6.

GENTLEMEN.

Samuel P. Allen,	East Bridgewater.
Nathaniel E. Carver,	Cape Vincent, N.Y.
S. Nelson Grosvenor,	Worcester.
Isaac K. Harris,	North Bridgewater.
Horace W. Howard,	South Easton.
George A. White,	Wlnterport, Me.
Noadiah P. Johnson,	Fall River.—7.

Junior Class.

LADIES.

Lucette M. Browning,	Richmond, Vt.
Victoria R. Blanchard,	Uxbridge.
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Sibel Edson,	West Bridgewater.
Mary D. Forbes,	West Bridgewater.
Mary A. Foster,	Quincy.
Climena A. Grover,	West Bethel, Me.
Melita A. Holbrook,	Upton.
Caroline Howard,	West Bridgewater.
Antoinette F. Howard,	West Bridgewater.
Mary E. Kelley,	Long Plain, Acushnet.
Rosalie S. Perkins,	Bridgewater.
Mary Whitman,	East Bridgewater.—14.

GENTLEMEN.

Jacob P. Almy,	New Bedford.
Charles B. Cushing,	Winterport, Me.
Luman B. Fairbanks,	North Reading.
Warren T. Hillman,	Chilmark.
Henry F. Howard,	West Bridgewater.
Oliver Howard,	South Easton.
Thomas S. Howland,	North Dartmouth.
Frank W. Kelley,	Frankfort, Me.
Howard W. Kelley,	Frankfort, Me.
J. Herbert Leonard,	Norton.
D. Swanson Lewis,	Rochester.
Lunas Mendell,	Rochester.
Joseph L. Locke,	Manchester, N.H.
William H. Marshall,	East Douglass.
Henry L. Reed,	North Easton.
Webster K. Pierce,	Frankfort, Me.
Jeremiah Swasey,	East Douglass.
Charles H. W. Wood,	Campello.
Joshua Treat,	Frankfort, Me.
Hiram N. Walker,	Southbridge.—20.

Whole Number in attendance during the Term, 83.

State Normal School,

BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

This Institution was established by the State, for the direct preparation of teachers, of both sexes, to instruct in the public schools of the Commonwealth. It is under the direction of the State Board of Education. The first class was received on the 9th of September, 1840, and the whole number of students has been twelve hundred and forty-nine; of these, eight hundred and thirteen have completed the prescribed course of study, and received certificates, or diplomas.

SCHOOL YEAR AND TERMS.

The School Year is divided into two Terms; the Spring Term commences on the third Wednesday of March, and the Fall Term on the third Wednesday of September. The former is preceded by a vacation of four weeks, the latter by a vacation of eight weeks, with a week's recess near the middle of each Term.

A Public Examination is held at the close of each Term, under the direction of the Board of Visitors. The School is at all times open to visitors, and the friends of education are invited to visit it at their convenience.

The Examination at the close of the present Term will commence on Monday, July 22d, at 9 o'clock, A.M., and continue two days.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION.

Male applicants for admission must be at least seventeen years of age, female applicants sixteen. They must make an explicit declaration of their intention to become teachers in the public schools of Massachusetts;° must

° Persons intending to teach in other States, or in private Schools, may be admitted by paying Ten Dollars a Term for Tuition.

present a satisfactory certificate of good moral character; must declare their intention of remaining in the School three successive terms; of faithfully observing its regulations while members of it; and must pass a satisfactory examination in Reading, Writing, Spelling, Defining, Arithmetic, Geography, the History of the United States, and English Grammar. A greater age than is here prescribed, with some experience in teaching, will make the course of instruction in the School much more valuable to the pupil. If, after admission, a pupil who has had much experience in teaching is found to be well qualified, he may complete the course in less time, but in no case in less than two Terms.

Candidates for admission must present themselves for examination at the school-room, at 9 o'clock, A.M., on Wednesday, the first day of the Term. Except in extraordinary cases, no one will be examined later in the Term.

STUDIES.

The course of study includes Arithmetic, Mental and Written; Geography, Mathematical, Physical, and Political, with the Construction of Maps; General and English Grammar; History and Constitution of the United States, and General History; Physiology and Hygiene; Book-keeping; Algebra; Geometry; Plane Trigonometry, Mensuration, and Surveying; Natural Philosophy; Astronomy; Geology; Rhetoric; History and Etymology of the English Language and English Literature; Theory and Art of Teaching with reference to Physical, Intellectual, and Moral Culture, including Mental and Moral Philosophy, General Principles and Methods of Instruction, School Laws, School Organization and Government.

Reading, Writing, Elementary Sounds, Spelling, Composition, Vocal Music and Gymnastics, extend through the whole course.

Chemistry, Botany, Latin and other languages, whenever the previous attainments of the pupils will permit.

The primary object of the course of instruction is to secure a thorough investigation of the principles of the studies pursued, and of the best modes of teaching them. All the exercises of the School are conducted with constant regard to preparation for the work of instruction in the Public Schools.

Those who complete, in a satisfactory manner, the prescribed course of study, will receive the General Diploma of the Institution. The course embraces a period of three terms; but those who desire it, (and all who can will find it advantageous to do so,) may pursue a more extended course, and, upon its completion, will receive an appropriate certificate, or diploma.

LIBRARY, APPARATUS, AND CABINET.

The Institution has, besides the supply of text books upon the different branches of the course of study, a valuable LIBRARY of works for general reference and reading, to which the pupils have access without charge. It is also supplied with APPARATUS for the illustration of some of the more important principles in Natural Philosophy, Astronomy, Physiology, and Mathematics; and has the foundation of a good CABINET of minerals and geological specimens. Additions to these are made as frequently as the funds of the School, or the donations of its friends will permit.

EXPENSES, AND STATE AID.

Tuition is free to all who intend to become teachers in the public schools of Massachusetts, wherever they may have previously resided. A fee of $1.50 is paid by each pupil at the beginning of the Term, to meet incidental expenses.

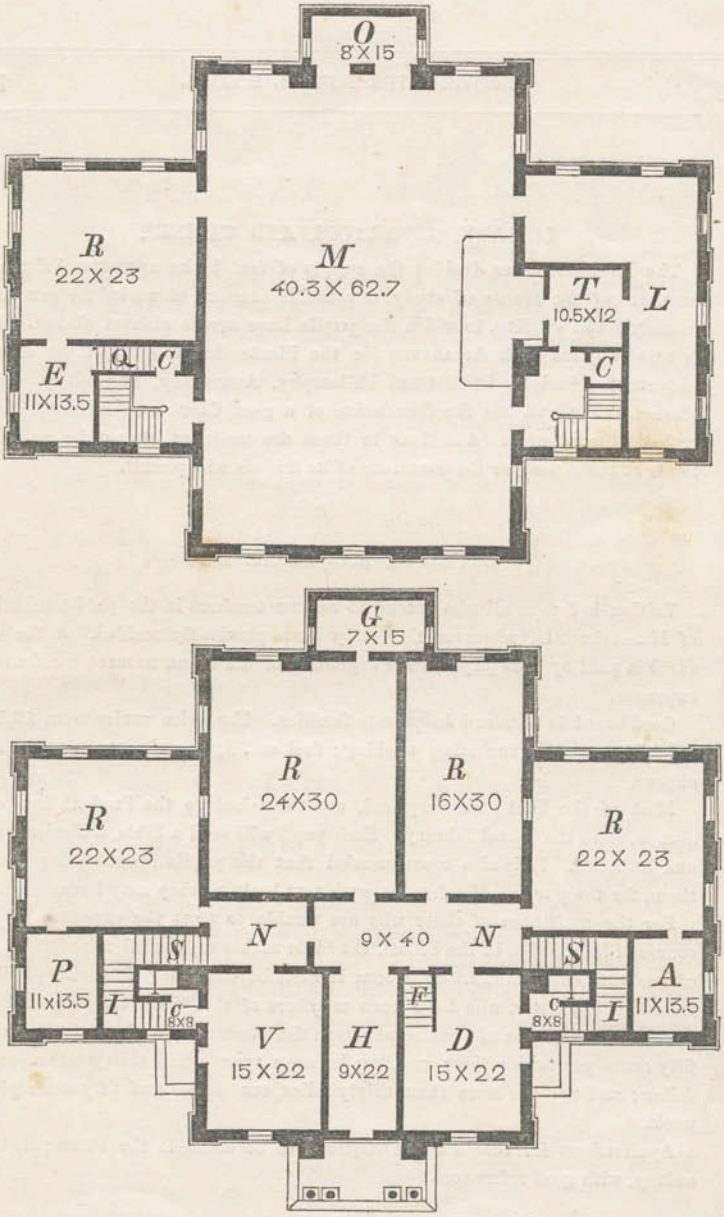
Good board is obtained in private families. The price varies from $2.50 to $2.75 per week, including washing; fuel and lights only, are a separate charge.

Most of the Text-books required, are furnished to the Student free of charge, from the School Library. Each pupil will need a Bible, a Dictionary, and an Atlas. It is also recommended that the pupils should bring with them, for the purpose of reference, such text-books as they may have.

For the assistance of those who are unable to meet the expenses of a course of instruction in the School, the State makes an annual appropriation of one thousand dollars. This sum is distributed among deserving pupils from Massachusetts, who have been members of the School thirteen weeks, as follows:—to those who reside not more than twenty miles from the School, fifty cents per week; those residing between twenty and thirty miles, one dollar; and to those more than thirty miles, one dollar and fifty cents per week.

Applications for this aid are required to be made to the Principal, in *writing*, with good references.

BRIDGEWATER, July, 1861.



Plan of the State Normal School-house at Bridgewater.

The main building is 42 by 64 feet. Each wing is 24 by 38 feet. The Lower Story contains—*H*, Entrance Hall; *N*, a Long Passage; *R, R, R, R*, Recitation Rooms; *G*, Room for Cabinet of Natural History; *A*, Room for Philosophical Apparatus; *P*, for Chemical Apparatus; *V*, Dressing-room for Ladies; *D*, Dressing-room for Gentlemen; *F*, Passage to Cellar; *S, S*, Stairs; *C*, Closets; *I, I*, Closets under Stairs. The Upper Story contains—*M*, School-room; *R*, Recitation-room; *O*, Alcove for Books of Reference; *T*, Teachers' Room; *L*, Library; *E*, Room for Astronomical and Geographical Apparatus; *C, C*, Closets for Clothes; *Q*, Passage to Attic.